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August 12, 2019

Ms. Ashley Litton  
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Ms. Litton,

On August 12, 2019, we received your Freedom Of Information Act (FOIA) request dated August 6, 2019, and assigned it case number DLA-LANDM-2019-003405.

We process all requests on a "First-In, First-Out" queue basis. The Department of Defense has established three queues for FOIA requests: Expedited, Simple, and Complex. Your request has been assigned to the Complex queue. Your FOIA request is considered Complex per DoD Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Program, DoD Directive 5400.07, Section 6.2(b) which states that if there is a "... *need to search for and collect the requested records responsive from field offices or other establishments that are separate from the office processing the FOIA request.*"

In addition, due to an extremely heavy FOIA request workload, over 400 cases, we are unable to complete your request or appeal within the statutory time requirement. To demonstrate our commitment, our team is working additional hours to address this backlog of FOIA requests and appeals. In fairness to the general public, we make every effort to treat all requesters equally. Accordingly, responses are made on a first-in, first-out, easy-hard basis, and controlled in response queues. We anticipate a response to you no later than October 11, 2019.

Please contact me at [Tyler.Stewart@dla.mil](mailto:Tyler.Stewart@dla.mil) or 614-692-9066 if you have questions or wish to inquire about the status of your request. Please reference case number DLA-LANDM-2019-003405 in all correspondence.

Sincerely,

*Tyler J. Stewart*

TYLER J. STEWART  
FOIA Specialist